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# The Prologue.

Corus.

*Two houſholds both alike in dignitie,*
*(In faire* Verona *where we lay our Scene)*
*From auncient grudge, breake to new mutinie,*
*where ciuill bloud makes ciuill hands vncleane:*
*From forth the fatall loynes of theſe two foes,*
*A paire of ſtarre-croſt louers, take their life:*
*whoſe miſaduentur'd pittious ouerthrowes,*
*Doth with their death burie their Parents ſtrife.*
*The fearfull paſſage of their death-markt loue,*
*And the continuance of their Parents rage:*
*which but their childrens end nought could remoue:*
*Is now the two houres trafficque of our Stage.*
*The which if you with patient eares attend,*
*what heare ſhall miſſe, our toyle ſhall ſtriue to mend.*



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